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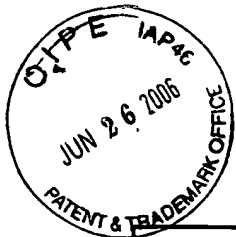
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2. The proposed reply filed on 4-17-06 has not been entered because it is unsigned.

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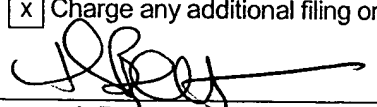
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